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### PROCEEDINGS.

TENTH MEETING, June 2d, 1859. In the absence of the President, the Rev. Joseph P. Thompson, D. D., 3rd Vice President, took the chair.

On motion, the ordinary business of the Society, except the admission of new members, was suspended.

Herman Andersen, Samuel Dexter Bradford, Jr., Julius Bing, Malcolm Campbell, Robert J. Dodge, John S. Dunning, Daniel W. Fiske, James Lorimer Graham, Jr., Andrew F. Higgins, Henry B. Millard, William C. Miller, —— Nugent, Bartholomew O'Connor, Edward P. Rudd, James M. Sanderson, Charles Tracy, J. Howard Wainwright, and Alexander R. Walsh, were elected Resident Members.

Thomas Hoyne, of Chicago, Ill., and Thaddeus Stevens, of Lancaster, Pa., were elected Non-Resident Members.

The Chair then stated that the particular object of the meeting was to enable the Society to pay a tribute of respect to their lately deceased Honorary Member, Alexander von Humboldt.\*

Prof. Francis Lieber, L. L. D., then read a paper on "The Life and Character of Humboldt."

Resolutions, expressive of the Society's re-

gret at their great loss, were introduced by the Honorable Charles P. Daly, and, having been seconded by Professor Alexander Dallas Bache, L. L. D., in an eloquent and feeling address, unanimously carried.

Remarks were also made by Professor Arnold Guyot, and the Hon. George Bancroft.

Adjourned.

## DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY.

#### NOTES ON SIAM.\*

BY DAVID OLYPHANT KING, ESQ., OF NEWPORT, R.I.

Accompanying a Map of His Travels.

Having been the first to avail of the recent opening of the Kingdom of Siam, circumstances obliged me to be often absent from the capital city, and I beg to hand you herewith a copy of the map of my travels in that country and the adjacent Kingdom of Cambodia, sufficiently interesting, I trust, to warrant its reception at your hands.

With the exception of M. de Pallegoix's account of these countries, nothing has hitherto been published respecting them worthy of any confidence; and of the interior, beyond the city of Bangkok, the fanciful accounts of the natives served merely to excite a curiosity that

<sup>\*</sup> A full report of the proceedings of this meeting, with the several addresses, etc., will be issued in a separate form.

<sup>\*</sup> A letter dated Newport, R. I., Feb. 5, 1859, read before the "American Geographical and Statistical Society" on Thursday, 24th March, 1859, by John Jay, Esq., Foreign Corresponding Secretary. (See Proceedings, p. 65.)